

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Joel Howard Schopp

Assignee: International Business Machines Corporation

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated July 31, 2008, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 31, 2008. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.